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Title: MANUFACTURING CONDUITS FOR USE IN PLACING A TARGET VESSEL IN
FLUID COMMUNICATION WITH A SOURCE OF BLOOD

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This response and amendment are submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2006, the unextended period for response to which is April 31, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: